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TO: DIR

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1. BLANK LEAVING LE HAVRE 23 JUNE WITH PARTY CONSISTING OF
HEUSINGER, KURT FETT, HEINZ HUCKELHEIM, WERNER PANNITSKY AND
CONRAD AHLERS. ETA NYC APPROX 30 JUNE.

*2. HEUSINGER INTERESTED DISCUSSING STRATEGY WITH PENTAGON,
FETT IN TRAINING SITES AND FACILITIES GERMAN CONTINGENTS,
HUCKELHEIM IN LOGISTICS AND ARMAMENTS, PANNITSKY AIR FORCE
PROBLEMS. AHLERS PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN, PERSONAL ADJUTANT AND
INTERPRETER FOR BLANK.*

3. ON JUNE 8 MEETING BLANK AGAIN TOLD US HE MAINLY INTERESTED
BUILDING UP HIS PRESTIGE. CLAIMS HIS FUTURE HANGS ON SUCCESS OF
U. S. TRIP. ODACID LOCALLY ADVISES GROUP BEING MET BY STATE AND
PENTAGON OFFICIALS. WOULD CONSIDER IT VERY WORTHWHILE TO HAVE
KUBARK REPRESENTATIVE EITHER OVERTLY OR COVERTLY ACCOMPANY
GROUP DURING U. S. STAY.

4. BLANK VERY DESIROUS SEE ASCHAM TO DISCUSS UTILITY/ZIPPER/

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CAPOTE AND RELATED PROBLEMS. SUGGEST [] AND KNIGHT PRELIMINARILY DISCUSS MATTER WITH BLANK. SEPARATE CABLE FOLLOWING GIVING LATEST BLANK VIEWS ON GERMAN IS. MATTERS.

5. BLANK'S ENGLISH NOT GOOD AND HE FRIGHTENED ABOUT MEETING U. S. OFFICIALS AND U. S. POLITICAL FORMALITIES. UNLESS WE NOTIFIED OTHERWISE BY 22 JUNE WE TELLING BLANK KUBARK REPRESENTATIVE WILL CONTACT HIM THROUGH GEORG FEDERER OF GERMAN LEGATION.

6. SUGGEST BLANK BE DEALT WITH PRIMARILY ALONE. HE DISLIKES PARTIES AND ON MEDICAL ADVICE HAS SERIOUSLY CURTAILED HIS DRINKING. BEST WAY DEAL WITH HIM IS INFORMAL DINNER FOLLOWED BY INFORMAL DISCUSSION. DISLIKES INTELLECTUAL DISCUSSIONS, IS GREAT TALKER, LIKES TO BOAST. DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM MUST BE STEERED. ACCEPTS GIFTS. CONFINE MEETINGS WITH HIM TO NO MORE THAN 3 OR 4 PEOPLE.

7. DO NOT BELIEVE WE CAN MAKE HIM OUTRIGHT AGENT. HOWEVER, HAS BURNING DESIRE TO PLAY MAJOR ROLE IN GERMAN DEFENSE POLITICS PRIMARILY AS POSSIBLE DEFENSE MINISTER AND IF WE CAN ASSURE HIM SUPPORT FROM SOME HIGH-LEVEL PERSONAGE SUCH AS ASCHAM BELIEVE THIS WILL COMPLETE HIS CONFIDENCE IN US AND MAKE HIM VALUABLE SOURCE IN GERMAN GOVT.

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8. SUGGEST A SHORT TALK BETWEEN ASCHAM AND BLANK ALONE. ASCHAM TO TELL BLANK U. S. HAS VERY POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD HIM THEN QUESTION HIM ON HIS CHANCES AS FUTURE DEFENSE MINISTER. THEN SUGGEST ASCHAM ASK BLANK IN WHAT MANNER HE COULD BE HELPFUL SUPPORTING BLANK'S DESIRE TO GET AHEAD. AT APPROPRIATE TIME DURING DISCUSSIONS ASCHAM COULD MAKE POINT THAT IT BE TO ADVANTAGE OF BLANK CONTINUE CLOSE KUBARK RELATIONS.

9. AHLERS ALSO IMPORTANT TO US. CONSIDERED BY TOP BLANK OFFICE OFFICIALS AS VERY CAPABLE YOUNG PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN WITH EXCELLENT CONNECTIONS WEST GERMAN PRESS. AGE 31, HE FORMERLY REPORTER ON BISHOP LILJE SONNTAGSBLATT. CAN BE VERY USEFUL TO US IN FUTURE IN BRINGING OR PREVENTING PUBLICITY VIS-A-VIS KUBARK OPS AND GERMAN PRESS. SUGGEST [] AND [] MEET WITH HIM SUPPLY APPROPRIATE EYE-WASH. AHLERS INTERESTED STUDYING PUBLIC RELATIONS SET-UP OF PENTAGON. ALSO ANXIOUS VISIT LARGE NEWSPAPER PLANT SUCH AS TIMES OR TRIBUNE.

10. IF STATE NOT INTERESTED SUGGEST WE ARRANGE MEETING FOR BLANK WITH A TOP LABOR LEADER, PREFERABLE REUTHER. BLANK ALSO EXPRESSED WISH TO RAINEY FOR SHORT VISIT TO WEST COAST PREFERABLY SAN FRANCISCO. PARTY LEAVING U. S. APPROX 14 JULY.

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